

Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the City Council  
Austin, Texas; July 18<sup>th</sup> 1898.

Hon. Geo. D. McCall, Mayor, presiding.  
John C. Allen.

Absent. Aldermen Crooker, Culm, Maddox, Mc. Semore, Miller, Morris, Blatt,  
Cowell, Rosengren, Shirley, Stumpf, Taylor, Townsend and Gilker. 14.  
Absent. Aldermen, Bealy, Belvin, Fischer, Haynes, Norton, Witschke, P. Edd  
and Roberdeau. 8.

Minutes approved On motion of Alderman Shirley the minutes were approved as recorded  
without reading.

Unfinished Business.

Ord. Appr'd 3-5-98. The Mayor laid before the Council an ordinance appropriating the sum of \$375.  
Repair Bridge Fairview to repair bridge in Fairview Park. The ordinance was read the second time.

On motion of Alderman Blatt, the Council took a recess of five minutes.

At the expiration of the recess the Council was called to order.

Alderman Norton entered the Council Chamber.

Alderman Blatt, for the Claims and Accounts Committee, to whom was referred  
the petition of Scarborough and Hicks, asking to annul and set aside the action of  
the Board of Capitalization in raising their assessment on their stock of merchandise  
for the year 1897, presented a report recommending that the petition be not granted.  
Aldermen Bealy, Haynes and P. Edd entered the Council Chamber.

On motion, the report of the Committee on the petition of Scarborough & Hicks was adopted  
by the following vote:

Yas. Aldermen Crooker, Haynes, Norton, Maddox, Mc. Semore, Miller, Morris, Blatt,  
Cowell, P. Edd, Rosengren, Shirley, Taylor and Townsend 14.

Nay. Aldermen Bealy, Culm, Stumpf and Gilker 4.

Alderman Crooker moved to suspend the rule and place the ordinance appropriating  
the sum of \$375.00 to repair bridge in Fairview Park, on its third reading and final  
passage, which motion prevailed by the following vote.

Yas. Aldermen Bealy, Crooker, Haynes, Norton, Culm, Mc. Semore, Miller, Morris, Blatt,  
Cowell, P. Edd, Rosengren, Stumpf, Taylor, Townsend and Gilker 16.

Nay. Aldermen Maddox and Shirley 2.

The ordinance was read third time and passed by the following vote:

Yas. Aldermen Bealy, Crooker, Haynes, Norton, Culm, Mc. Semore, Miller, Morris,  
Blatt, Cowell, P. Edd, Rosengren, Stumpf, Taylor, Townsend and Gilker 16

Nay. Aldermen Maddox and Shirley 2.

The Mayor then laid before the Council, an ordinance prohibiting appropriations  
being made, when there is no money in the Treasury to pay them.

The ordinance was read the second time. Alderman Taylor moved to lay the ordinance  
on the table, which motion was lost by the following vote:

Yas. Aldermen Bealy, Crooker, Miller, P. Edd, Rosengren, Shirley, Taylor and Townsend 8

Nay. Aldermen Haynes, Norton, Culm, Maddox, Mc. Semore, Morris, Blatt, Cowell, Stumpf, Gilker 10  
Alderman Blatt moved to suspend the rule and pass the ordinance on its third reading  
which motion was lost by the following vote:

Yas. Aldermen Haynes, Maddox, Mc. Semore, Morris, Blatt, Cowell, Stumpf and Gilker 8.

Nay. Aldermen Bealy, Crooker, Norton, Culm, Miller, P. Edd, Rosengren, Shirley, Taylor  
and Townsend 10.

On motion of the Mayor the ordinance was read the second time, an ordinance providing for the payment of

Ord. prohibiting  
Appropriations being  
made

payment of City Ad. City Ad Valorem Taxes, in registered City Warrants.

Taxes in The Advance was passed under suspension of the rules, by the following vote:  
Registered City Warrants Deas. Alderman Bratby, Crooker, Haynes, Horton, Huhn, Miller, Morris, Powell, Redd, Rosengren,  
Shelley, Taylor, Townsend and Gilker 14.

Ctys. Aldermen Maddox, McDemore, Platt and Stumpf 11.

Fin. Comt. granted further motion the Finance Committee was granted further time in which to make a report,  
time to report out of upon the petition of Mrs. L. C. Pease, in regard to Taxes.  
Mrs. L. C. Pease.

#### New Business.

Alderman Powell offered the following resolution which was read and adopted:

Resolution confirming Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin: That the appointment of W. A. halo  
appointment of halo be confirmed during the suspension of Alderman John Chemerille  
as Alderman The deed from the estate of D. S. Wisdom to certain ground for street purposes, was  
Deed from Estate of referred to the City Attorney.

Wisdom The bill of the Water Works and Electric Light Plant, for Water & Light furnished to date  
was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

Pet. of Mrs. Blair By Alderman Stumpf. Petition from Mrs. Blair asking correction of assessment  
asking correction of for the year 1894. Read and referred to the Claims and Accounts Committee.  
Taxes.

Ord. Approp't 100. for By Alderman Crooker. An ordinance appropriating the sum of \$100. to pay for  
Extra Sanitary labor cutting weeds.

The ordinance was passed under suspension of the rules by the following vote:  
Deas. Aldermen Bratby, Crooker, Haynes, Horton, Huhn, McDemore, Miller, Morris, Powell, Redd, Rosengren, Shelley, Stumpf, Taylor, Townsend and Gilker 14.

Ctys. Aldermen Maddox 11.

Alderman Bratby moved that the bridges to be built on West 2<sup>nd</sup> & West 5<sup>th</sup> Streets  
be built of 2 inch lumber instead of 3 inch. Alderman Morris moved as a  
substitute, that the Street Committee and City Engineer be directed to have  
the bridges built of 2 inch instead of 3 inch lumber. The substitute was lost.  
and no action taken on the original motion.

Major grants leave The Mayor asked for a leave of absence from Aug. 1<sup>st</sup> to the 15<sup>th</sup> which was granted  
of absence.

Ord. Amending Sec. 5. By Alderman Taylor. An ordinance amending Section 5. of an ordinance to regulate  
and prescribe the powers and duties of the Board of Equalization, passed and approved  
of Ord. prescribing July 16<sup>th</sup> 1894.

Acting Bd. Equalization The ordinance was passed under suspension of the rules by the following vote:  
Deas. Aldermen Crooker, Haynes, Horton, Huhn, Maddox, McDemore, Miller, Morris,  
Platt, Powell, Redd, Rosengren, Shelley, Stumpf, Taylor, Townsend and Gilker 14.

Ctys. Stumpf

Alderman Bratby having been excused did not vote on the final passage of the  
ordinance.

Ord. Approp't \$150. By Alderman Gilker. An ordinance appropriating the sum of \$150. to build  
to build Bridges on West 2<sup>nd</sup> and West 5<sup>th</sup> Streets and Congress Avenue.  
H. R. & W. 5<sup>th</sup> Ave. The ordinance was read first time.

On motion of Alderman Haynes the Council adjourned.

Jno. O. Johnson  
C. W. Clerk.